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'Protest pens' expose 2010 organizers' paranoia

Robbers make off with LCBO trailer

CRIME Ottawa police are investigating a kidnapping and theft of a tractor-trail-er after a driver was accosted in his vehicle early yesterday morning.

Police said shortly after midnight, a driver was accosted in his tractor-trailer while in the parking lot of the LCBO near Bank Street and Walkley Road.

The truck contained products for the LCBO, said Sgt. Michael Haarbosch with the Ottawa police robbery

Police said two males restrained the driver and later left the parking lot with the driver in the tractortrailer.

The driver was later found uninjured in the area of Vaudreuil, Oue.. along with the tractor.

The trailer has yet to be

Police did not release a description of the suspects. TRACEY TONG/METRO OTTAWA



The family of homicide victim Kenneth Dabene hold his photo outside the Ottawa courthouse, where a man accused in his death appeared yesterday. Clockwise from top right are: Dabene's partner Rose Doiron, his daughters Laura Dabene and Tina Lapensee, his son Devin Dabene, his granddaughter Lily and his daughter-in-law Debbi Burns.

Family left to wonder

Death of 'Papa Bear' difficult for relatives to understand

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Oil merger layoffs coming TRACEY TONG tracey.tong@metronews.ca

Still reeling from the death of their father and longtime partner Kenneth Dabene earlier this week. the 52-year-old Ottawa man's family arrived at the courthouse yesterday to see the face of the man accused in his death.

"I wanted to see his face," Dabene's daughter Tina Lapensee said tearfully.

Īt's been a tough time for the family. Claude Doiron, the brother of Dabene's partner, was also killed in a recent motorcycle collision.

"It's been really, really difficult," said Dabene's longtime partner Rose Doiron. "You get so drained, you don't know if you've got anything left."

Dressed in an orange jumpsuit, a bearded Gus Tavares, 47, appeared by video remand at the Ottawa courthouse yesterday. The judge adjourned the matter to next week.

Also at the courthouse was Dabene's son Devin,

his wife Debbi and their daughter Lily, and Dabene's daughter Laura, whom he

lived with.
"It hasn't sunk in that he's gone," said Laura Dabene. "I still can't go home."

The family remembered the man they called "Papa Bear" as a hard worker. He was "a jack of all trades," Laura said about her father. who worked in the restaurant business and in recycling, loved to draw and was very quiet.

Dabene was found beaten

close to the Ottawa River near the Prince of Wales Bridge on the evening of July 18.

Tavares was originally charged with attempted murder, but the charge was changed to second-degree murder Monday after Dabene's death. This is Ottawa's fourth homicide of the year.

Right now, the family can't understand what the circumstances were surrounding his death.

"It's a mystery," Doiron said.

Ottawa River search turns up nothing

TIM WIECLAWSKI

RESCUE It could have been fireworks, or a flare set off late at night, but after nearly 14 hours spent searching the water, rescue crews have determined there is nothing to be found in the Ottawa River.

Around 10 p.m. on Monday night, police on both sides of the river received reports of a loud boom and lights hitting the water near the Deschenes Rapids close to the Britannia Yacht Club.

Ottawa Police Const. Alain Boucher said the description from numerous witnesses lead police to believe that some object, possibly a small aircraft, had crashed into the water.

Police contacted airfields in the region, but none were reporting missing aircraft, and no missing persons had been reported.

Yesterday afternoon, search crews using sonar and underwater cameras came across an object around 30 feet underwater, but the size and shape did not match the fuselage of a plane or helicopter, said Boucher.

"We've concluded that there is nothing in the river for us to find in terms of an airplane or a helicopter or something that went down last night," said Boucher.





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Seniors' residence evacuated after natural gas leak

Ottawa paramedics treated four elderly patients after a natural gas leak occurred on Riverdale Avenue in the city's south end yesterday. Police evacuated a seniors' residence and closed several roads during the investigation. METRO OTTAWA

Local



Nine arrested in prostitution sweep

A two-day prostitution sweep by Ottawa police in Vanier and Lowertown earlier this week has resulted in nine arrests. Police said yesterday that in an ongoing effort to deal with community-identified prostitution and prostitution-related problems, they conducted a prostitution sweep Monday and Tuesday. Of the nine arrested, four were johns, five were females.

Call of the carnival

Passion turns into career for Lune Bleue founder

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Few experiences stay with us like the ones we experience in childhood.

But for Wayne Van De Graaff, a lifelong passion became a calling and a second career.

Five years ago — with a lifelong interest in old-time carnivals - the Kars resident bought a 1938 carousel with the original wooden horses, and tracked down a Ferris wheel from 1917 the oldest one in North America — at a barn in Thunder Bay. He contacted a company that services Cirque du soleil's big tops and bought an original tent.

He reached out to industry experts, who became his tors. Carnivale Lune Bleue was born.

"Last year, realized this was going to be a full-time occupation.' said Van De

Graaff, who Wayne was the Van De Graaff president of

his own international human resources and tax firm. "So I sold my practice."

Van De Graaff was raised in 1960s Utah a "parochial" place where fads that swept North America skipped over. What were popular were the old 1930s-era carnivals.

"I was always fascinated with the era," said Van De Graaff, now 50. "When car-

advisers and artistic direc- nivals really became popular was during the Depression in the 1930s when people would go to experience the food and the entertainment and the exhibits.

Shows including Cirque Maroc, Carnival Diablo, the Great Snakes of the World and the Congress of Wonders transport you back to that time, Van De Graaff said.

So far, Van De Graaff is pleased with the way the second annual event is going and said the rain has had little effect on attendance at Hog's Back Park.

Next year, he plans to tour in two cities in Quebec as well as Ottawa.

"Carnivale Lune Bleue is a world unto itself — it allows you to forget everything else," said Van De Graaff.



Triathlete Leslie Moreland is raising money and awareness for WaterCan at this weekend's National Capital Triathlon.

Athletes rally for causes

AWARENESS Leslie Moreland has always been active.

A former competitive swimmer, the 26-year-old joined a triathlon club "for the social aspect" when she moved to Ottawa last October to work as a program officer for WaterCan.

This weekend. found a way to combine her two passions - sport and bringing clean water to African countries — at the National Capital Triathlon.

On Saturday, Moreland will compete in her first Olympic distance triathlon a 1500-metre swim, 40kilometre cycle and a 10kilometre run — in support of clean water, improved sanitation and health education in east Africa.

So far, she's raised \$1,400, which will give over 50 people access to clean water, improved sanitation and

Safety equipment

 On behalf of the five cyclists seriously hurt last week while training, organizers will be accepting cycling-related safety equipment for the Ottawa Boys and Girls Club at the event site.

health and hygiene for life. "I know of a lot of people who use athletics to raise money for different causes," she said. "It's a great way to raise funds and to get peo-

ple rallied around a cause. Julie Hakim will be participating in the same race in honour of her five training partners, who were seriously injured after being struck by a vehicle on March Road last week. She will wear racing bibs numbered 1 to 5 and No. 6 for herself

TRACEY TONG/METRO OTTAWA

Police seek man in alleged assault at Strathcona

INVESTIGATION Ottawa police are investigating an assault that they say occurred Sunday evening at Strathcona Park.

At 9:30 p.m., a 20-yearold woman was walking on the east side of Range Road when an unknown male grabbed her from behind and threw her to the ground. The male fled when the woman fought back.

Police are seeking a white male between 25 and 35 years old.

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Canada

Newspaper issues act of contrition

Missing host story prompts apology to Harper

The saga of the missing holy host now has a sequel — a confession.

A New Brunswick newspaper has issued a contrite apology to Stephen Harper for a story that suggested the Prime Minister slipped a Communion host in his pocket during a Catholic funeral mass.

The July 8 story — later denounced by Harper as a "low point" in Canadian journalism — sparked criticism that the prime minister had disrespected the Catholic faith.

However, the Telegraph-Journal, based in Saint John, yesterday disavowed the tale, saying it "sincerely apologizes to the Prime Minister for the harm that this inaccurate story has caused."

Religious controversy

• The fuss started July 3 when Harper attended a state funeral for former governor general Romeo LeBlanc in Memramcook, N.B. During mass, Harper received a sacramental communion wafer, in contravention of church practices for non-

In a rare front-page apology, the newspaper said the story "should not have been published.

"We pride ourselves in maintaining high standards of journalism and ethical reporting, and regret this was not followed in this case," the newspaper said.

And in a curious move, the newspaper also apoloCatholics, and then appeared not to consume it, according to a video of the service.

In its July 8 story, the Telegraph-Journal quoted a Roman Catholic priest who demanded that Harper explain what he had done with the communion wafer.

gized to the two reporters who wrote the story, exonerating them from any blame in the funeral furor.

With the apology came a shake-up. The paper confirmed late yesterday that editor Shawna Richer and publisher James Irving, a scion of the Irving family empire, were "no longer serving in those capacities."

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Edmonton Art on the fringe



Zombie Brent Felzien was out at the TransAlta Arts Barn in Edmonton yesterday to help promote the upcoming International Fringe Festival which takes place August 13 to 23 in that city.

News in brief

STAFF Kory Teneycke is stepping down as Prime Minister Stephen Harper's director of communications after a tenure marked by a federal election, and a showdown between the Conservatives and the opposition. "It's a great experience, a great job," said Teneycke, 35. "I'm looking forward to doing something else."

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Ponzi scheme suspect free on bail

COURTS Earl Jones, accused of defrauding up to 200 investors of between \$30- and \$50-million in what Quebec's financial securities regulator believes was an intricate Ponzi scheme, spent just one night in jail, and is today free on bail after appearing in a Montreal court yesterday.

Christiane Jackson on the other hand, feels imprisoned by the circumstances that have fallen on her like a hailstorm.

Most pressing for Jackson, one of Jones' clients, is the need to pack up her house, which she is being forced to sell because she can no longer afford the mortgage payments, thanks, she alleges, to Jones.

"This man raped our confidence in humanity," she said.

"He stole our money and was getting away with it. We have been scrambling to figure out what are we going to do next," the 66year-old Jackson said.

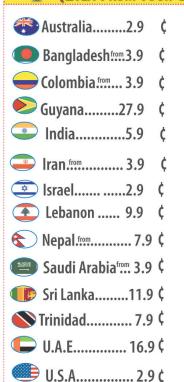
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Mother-to-child transmission of swine flu reported

Thai health officials said yesterday that a baby had been born in Thailand with influenza A (H1N1), also known as swine flu, having contracted the virus while still in the womb. The mother is very ill in hospital. REUTERS

World



Iranian detention centre closed

Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, left, has ordered the closure of the Kahrizak detention centre where detainees are believed to have been held since Iran's disputed presidential election. Lawmaker Kazem Jalali said 140 detainees were released from Evin prison after members of a parliamentary committee visited the prison yesterday, the ISNA news agency reported. Rights groups say hundreds of people have been detained since the election. REUTERS

79 missing in shipwreck

migrants were missing and more than 120 were rescued after their wooden boat hit a reef and sank off the Turks and Caicos Islands, local police and the U.S. Coast Guard said yesterday.

The Coast Guard said nine bodies had been located so far in the waters off West Caicos, a sparsely inhabited island in

British territory, following the shipwreck

Turks and Caicos police Sgt. Calvin spokesman. Chase, told Reuters the ship was bound for the United States when it sank late Sunday.

It was unclear how many people were on board the vessel, but estimates given earlier by the Coast Guard ranged from 160 to 200.



Brainwashed boys rescued

Pakistan recovers 9 youths trained to be suicide bombers

Pakistani security forces fighting Taliban militants in and around the Swat Valley have rescued nearly a dozen boys brainwashed into becoming suicide bombers, according to officials.

A senior security officer in North West Frontier Province said nine boys were found during raids, while two more had voluntarily surrendered, and an army commander in Swat spoke of more being handed over by their families.
"They have been brain-

Deadly attack

• Yesterday, a suicide bomber rammed his car into a security checkpoint in North Waziristan's tribal region in Pakistan. killing one soldier and wounding two, officials said.

washed in such a way that they even call their par-ents infidels," Bashir Bashir Bilour, senior minister in the provincial government, told Reuters.

Bilour said the boys were shown films about oppression of Muslims in the Palestinian Territories and

Indian-held Kashmir, and were given purported religious instructions to convince them that they would go to heaven if they killed enemies of Islam.

Brig. Tahir Hameed, an officer leading military operations in Mingora, Swat's main town, said the Taliban had forced many families to let them take their

He said some had since returned to their parents, who in turn handed them over to the authorities because of their brainwashed state. The government was working out how to rehabilitate the boys, aged between nine and 18.

The Taliban has regularly claimed responsibility for suicide attacks carried out by boys both in Pakistan and Afghanistan.

REUTERS

News in brief

JACKSON Las Vegas police searched the home of Dr. Conrad Murray, Michael Jackson's personal doctor, yesterday as the probe into the star's sudden death increasingly appeared to focus on

whether the physician gave him drugs before he died. A U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency spokesman declined to say specifically what agents were looking for, but numerous media reports

have said that the probe into the cause of the singer's sudden death on June 25 has focused on Jackson's use of the powerful anesthetic propofol to sleep.

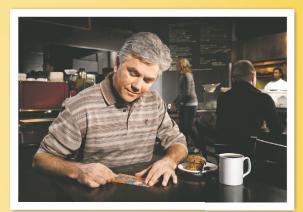
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How can you sequester free speech?



'm not sure if it's safe to ask, but I have a question. It's directed at "they," that bunch in charge of Vancouver's 2010 Winter Olympics.

Don't get me wrong. I love watching skaters whiz by, blades flashing across the ice, in pursuit of the puck, a world record or a triple Axel.

Basically, I'm happy the world's greatest winter athletes will assemble here in Vancouver in approximately 200 days.

But if I was a sworn critic of the Games — and there are plenty — I'd have legitimate cause to protest. These Games are a mixed blessing: They cost at least \$6 billion when all levels of government are pressed to pay for basics like health care, and they require immense patience from We

The Rabble, as we are endlessly rerouted and otherwise inconvenienced in preparation for the events. which come and go over a mere two weeks

Anyway, here's the question: Why do we need "free-speech zones" at the 2010 Games? Because that's what we're getting – areas set aside, close to event sites and the media where lawful centre, protest can take place.

I thought all of Canada "free-speech zone," was a as in: "Freedom of thought, belief, opinion and expression, including freedom of the press and other media of communication; freedom of peaceful assembly; and freedom of association." (Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms)

So why is Vancouver Olympic Čommittee's 2010 Integrated Security Unit (ISU) containing these fundamental freedoms into what the wags around here call "protest pens?"

What are they afraid of? And how will protest pens contain that threat, whatever it is?

If we have the right to

free peaceful assembly, we should have that right in any public place — too bad if it's in full view of TV cameras ready to beam that discontent around the world.

More and more, the real dark side of the 2010 Games is the atmosphere of fear and paranoia coming out of the Games' ISU, which seems compelled to act like the KGB, pulling over Olympic protesters demanding to see their "documents," spying on protesters, installing omnipresent surveillance cameras and

building these ridiculous protest pens, which will only serve to motivate protesters in full view of the world.

This is Vancouver not Beijing, the birthplace of the protest pen.

There, question asked. I hope "they" are willing to cough up an honest answer and not just get it into their heads to pull me over for, um, further question-

Paul Sullivan is a Vancouver-based journalist and owner of Sullivan Media Consulting; vancouverletters@metronews.ca.

Word on the street: What would make you give up your car to walk, bike or take public transportation to work?

Ryan Bonacci

age 25, Ottawa

A: My work is involved in the **EcoPass program** anyway, so I take advantage that because nublic

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transit is much better for the environment

Rebecca **Blakey**

age 20, Ōttawa

wouldn't drive a car — I bike. It's better for you physically and better for the environment.

Michel Lucas

age 47, Ottawa

A: In order to give up my car, I would need a lot more time in my life than I have

Jessica Russel

age 27, North Vancouver

A: If a chauffeur picked me up and drove me to work I'd be willing to give up my

lan Chen

age 24, Toronto

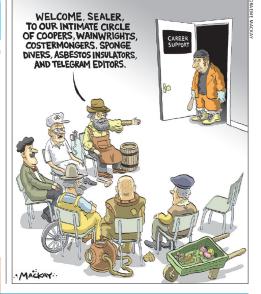
A: If they could make (transit) reliable, more crowded, less more time efficient ... Yeah, I'd take (transit).

Andrea Schmidt age 21,

Edmonton

A: Better bus routes, if they came more regularly, that would be helpful. Also better bike lanes.





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Business



U.S. Steel reports another quarterly loss

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Oil merger to bring layoffs

Energy Inc. began notify-ing executives yesterday that they will be laid off following the companies' \$22.5 billion merger next month.

The companies have started to tell some senior employees they will not be part of the combined firm once Suncor completes its acquisition of Petro-Canada, a deal expected to close on Aug. 1. The number of cuts won't be made public until the deal is final.

"We have started the selection process but it is subject to the merger clos-ing," said Victoria Barrington, a spokeswoman for Petro-Canada. "We do not know the total number of employees that will be de-

Top posts chosen

• In April, Suncor detailed who will have the top posts in the new company, with most of those roles, including chief executive, chief financial officer and chief operating officer, being filled by Suncor staff.

parting the organization." The merged company will be Canada's largest oil exploration and production firm. Along with a dominant position in northern Alberta, the company will have extensive offshore production from Canada's East Coast and the North Sea, as well as a substantial natural-gas production business. REUTERS

GM, Chrysler exec pay still secret despite government investment

AUTO Canadians have invested more than \$14 billion to save General Motors and Chrysler and now own a part of both companies but salaries for their top executives here remain a secret.

Spokespersons for the two ailing automakers say they are private companies and won't reveal compensation packages for officials such as president Arturo Elias of GM of Canada Ltd. and chief executive

Reid Bigland of Chrysler.

Recent restructurings and public aid packages that saved the auto giants left the federal and Ontario governments with 11.7 per cent of GM, after loaning \$10.5 billion, and two per cent of Chrysler after contributing \$3.8 billion.

Experts say that while the automakers are privately owned, governments and taxpayers have a right to know more information. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Business in brief

NORTEL DEAL The \$1.13 billion sale of Nortel Networks' prized wireless assets to Swedish telecoms equipment maker Ericsson received the blessing of Canadian and U.S. courts yesterday. It remained unclear whether the Canadian government will intervene in the deal

now that courts have allowed it to go ahead. TELECOM Rogers Communica-

tions slashed its full-year revenue outlook yesterday and said wireless subscribers were cutting spending due to the recession, sending its shares REUTERS down 5.5 per cent.







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Simpsons to take up curling

Curling will be getting some prime-time exposure just prior to next year's Winter Olympics in Vancouver as Homer and Marge Simpson take up one of Canada's favourite sports. An episode of the long-running comedy The Simpsons featuring the cartoon power couple playing the game is scheduled to run in early February. METRO NEWS SERVICES

ports



F1 legend considers return

el Schumacher, left, the former Ferrari driver who holds nearly record in Formula One, would consider coming out of retirement if assa, his spokeswoman said yesterday. "If Ferrari approaches Michael, would think about it," Sabine Kehm told German news agency DPA, ding that it is up to Ferrari to make the first move. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Must-win for TFC

Puerto Rico visit BMO Field in Champions League opener



s Toronto FC embarks on its bid for the glory of CONCACAF Champions

League tonight, it's become apparent that anything besides an outright win by the Reds at BMO Field will be considered a loss.

TFC knows this. Their op-ponent, the Puerto Rico Islanders, know this. And that's why you can expect the Islanders to come out and play a bland, boring brand of soccer — the same kind the tiny USL-1 squad rode from its beaches to the semifinals of last year's Champions League.

In this home-and-home series, the Islanders represent a serious threat to Toronto's intentions to move on.

TFC, for all the advances to its attack this season (Pablo Vitti, Ali Gerba, Dwayne De Rosario), is still a squad that is remarkably awkward in its back four.

The counter-attacking goal by Columbus in extra



Toronto FC players are seen running drills during practice at BMO field. TFC will play host to the Puerto Rico Islanders tonight as they open play in the CONCACAF Champions League.

time last weekend caught Toronto exposed, going balls out on the attack, and turned what would have been a solid road point into a disappointing loss.

This is exactly the kind of goal Puerto Rico is capable of scoring. They sit and wait and counter when the opportunity presents itself then return to their bunkering style, hoping to drag opponents back to the island, down a point and now forced to contend with the stifling heat and humidity.

Puerto Rico didn't defeat

the giants of North American football in 2008 by pretending to be something they're not, but they did find a system that works in a home-and-home format. And when a team comes in determined to not play for the win, all the pressure falls to the other squad to perform.

Toronto coach Chris Cummins has won fans this year for his vision to find and adjust formations that break down opponents. Finding one that can bust that bunker without leaving them exposed at the back will be a true test for the coach

Watch Ben Rycroft on the It's Called Football show every Monday at metronews.ca; ben.rycroft@metronews.ca

Favre tells Vikings he plans to stay retired

Brad Childress yesterday and informed the Minnesota Vikings head coach that he will remain retired.

"It was a rare and unique opportunity to consider adding not only a future

Hall-of-Fame quarterback, but one that is very familiar with our system and division," Childress said.

According to a report by the Minneapolis Star Tribune, Favre, who turns 40 in October, was not ready

physically or mentally for another gruelling NFL sea-

Sage Rosenfels and Tarvaris Jackson will now battle for the starting quarterback position for the Vikings. METRO NEWS SERVICES



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Sports in brief

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GOLF General Motors Co. will

end its run as sponsor of the Buick Open golf tournament as it focuses marketing

dollars on its cars and trucks. FOOTBALL Jim Johnson, whose attacking defences helped the Philadelphia Eagles to one Super Bowl appearance and five NFC title games, has died. He was 68. Johnson had taken a leave of absence from the team in May as he battled a cancerous tumour on his

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Workology

Durham on the rise

Oshawa, Ont.'s Durham College is reporting a 5.28 per cent increase in applications to the school for fall studies over this time last year. Preliminary figures indicated 4.86 per cent in the number of students confirming Durham as their first choice. The college expects overall enrolment to rise to approximately 6,600 students, along with an estimated 1,600 apprenticeship students, for the 2009-10 school year. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Costume maker or mad scientist?

Backstage **Pass**

RAFAEL BRUSILOW

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Turning garbage into glorious gowns and scraps into showy skirts is what Doris Haidner-Seif does best, always with a hint of stagecraft added.

As Head of Wardrobe in York University's Theatre Department in Toronto, Haidner-Seif has spent half her life teaching students how to take everyday clothes and turn them into visually arresting costumes worthy of a great performIf swirling dye vats, revving tools and ominoussounding "respirators" seem like something you'd rather find in a factory than a studio, that's because Haidner-Seif's production space at York resembles a lair of mad science.

Coloured spools hang from a wall mount above industrial sewing ma-chines and shelves filled with vibrant fabrics flank rows of work tables. Overhead, powerful lamps hang suspended like latticework, suggesting a place of intense concentration and creativity.

The 49-year-old instruc-tor and creative designer has built costumes for performance houses like the



Doris Haidner-Seif is head of wardrobe at York University.

Canadian Stage Company and the Theatre Français in Toronto and says the key to making great costumes is to see beyond the ordinary and let a garment re-

veal itself from its humble

"It's just clothing until it becomes a costume. You need to leave yourself wide open and let the thing create itself," she said.

Since 1985, Haidner-Seif has taught wardrobe design and managed York's Costume Shop where students get to make every single costume or wardrobe accessory used in the school's many student performance produc-

Haidner-Seif teaches students to draft patterns, take measurements correctly, cut fabric, plan their designs and think outside the box — a piece of scarf can become the trim on a luxurious dress or the tail of a stuffed toy can become a collar, for example.

With extremely limited budgets, imagination becomes a precious commodity as student designers

have to visualize an impressive finished product matched together piecemeal from a pile of dreary old clothes and scraps of material.

Haidner-Seif feels it's a beneficial rite of passage for students to learn to stretch a small budget by thinking creatively, especially since it prepares them for the realities of ac-tual theatre production. "You need to be able to

see the potential in a piece of garbage. When you have nothing, you're forced to be inventive," she said.





From Hollywood and Spielberg to SafeStart

CHRIS ATCHISON for Metro Canada



Larry Wilson would be the first to admit that his career path is far from typ ical — he might even call it downright extraordinary.

Wilson, vice-president of Belleville, Ont.-based safety training firm Electrolab Training Systems Limited, spends much of his time touring the world, espousing the virtues of simple concentration techniques to avoid injuries both at work and at home. But in the 1980s, the father of four was better known for gracing the covers of international magazines such as Gentleman's Quarterly, posing for Italian fashion designer Valentino and making the occasional appearance on daytime soap The Young And The Restless.

So, what would prompt a young man in his late-twenties, with matinée idol looks and a highly-successful career, to turn his buff back on quasi-celebrity status to become a safety guru?

"I still have long talks with myself about why we had to leave L.A.," Wilson deadpans from his parttime base in Whistler, B.C. "Was it really that bad? Just because it was shallow and vacuous?"

Indeed, Wilson lived the high life, hobnobbing with the likes of pop-art icon Andy Warhol, mingling with film and TV royalty, and earning upwards of \$1,000 per day for his acting and modelling efforts. The 52-year-old recalls his most memorable audition, with Jaws director Steven Spiel-

"He flips me this hat,"

Wilson remembers, "takes out a Nikon, puts me up against a wall and shoots a half a roll of film. The guy knew what he was doing. The baby-faced actor had the good looks, but lacked the facial maturity Spiel-berg sought. Much to Wilson's chagrin, the role of Indiana Jones went to Harrison Ford, instead.

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It was around this time that he began to tire of L.A.'s decadent scene. Wilson continued modelling for a few years before returning to Belleville at age 29 to put his charismatic

talents to work for his father's firm, Electrolab, where he began teaching safety strategies to veteran factory workers.

By winning workers' trust and sharing stories, he discovered how they were really injuring themselves on the job. Injuries, he observed, were caused by people who were rushing, frustrated, fatigued or compla-cent. Over the course of several years he drew on those experiences and designed a new system for injury prevention called SafeStart. The result? According to

Wilson, companies that employ the program reduce workplace injuries by an average of 60-90 per cent over two years.

Electrolab now boasts annual revenue of \$20 million — 70 per cent of which is derived from Safe Start seminars — and the program has been expanded to in-clude a kids' element to help tots avoid unnecessary accidents.

"No one, no matter their attitude, is ever trying to get hurt and this is one area where I make a difference.

Nissan has developed a new system, called Navigation-Cooperative Intelligent Pedal, that helps drivers make smooth turns by synchronizing the vehicle's navigation, engine, braking and steering systems. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Car for the blind

Virginia Tech undergrads in the U.S. have remodelled an all-terrain buggy to create a car the blind can drive. The semi-autonomous vehicle uses a laser range finder, voice software and other sensory technology to steer itself.

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2010 Taurus takes charge

JIM ROBINSON for Metro Canada

The first generation Taurus (including the Mercury Sable) was one of the most popular cars Ford ever produced. Coupled with the simple, but reliable, Ford Tempo / Mercury Topaz, Ford's coffers swelled and they went on a buying spree gobbling up Volvo, Jaguar, Aston Martin and much of Mazda.

Then things went pear shaped. There are many theories of what went wrong in Dearborn but Carlos Ghosn, the miracle worker who turned Nissan around, has said there is no such thing as good management and bad results, which pretty well sums up where Ford was at the turn of this century.

More recently, the economic and domestic car meltdown has since separated the wheat from the chaff. That Ford did not put its hand out for government aid was reassuring to a lot of consumers who have now changed their minds about Ford.

At the press introduction of the 2010 Taurus lineup, Ford used the phrase "the car that changed America's view



of sedans" to describe it. And that's what Ford is hoping will happen again with its full-size flagship sedan.

The core message at the press launch in North Carolina was the Taurus offers more but costs less then its competitors. In fact the base 2010 Taurus SE at

\$29,999 is \$2,000 less than its own 2009 SE.

Ford also made a big thing at the preview about Taurus having more technology features (10 of them class exclusive) than premium luxury cars they benchmarked like the Audi A6 and Lexus ES350.

Some of these are Adaptive Cruise Control and Collision Warning with Brake Support, BLIS (Blind Spot Information System) with Cross Traffic Alert, MyKey and SecuriCode with its

Keyless Entry Keypad. Power is a 3.5-litre DOHC V6 producing 263 hp and

2010 Ford Taurus

Type: Full-size sedan Price: from \$29,999 Engine: 3.5-litre, DOHC V6 (263 hp, 249 lb/ft). Fuel Economy: FWD, 11.6/7.2L/100 km city/highway; AWD, 12.3/7.9L/100 km city/highway

Highlights

- Costs less than 2009 model
- Comfortable ride
- Impressive tech features

249 lb/ft of torque on regular gasoline. There is a twin-turbo EcoBoost version of the 3.5-litre producing 365 hp and 350 lb/ft of torque but it is only available on the Taurus SHO featured separately on these pages.

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Eat, drink, be merry and wary on the road



deep into the so-called dog days of summer. Not to totally bum you out, but I do want to remind you that Statis-

tics Canada reports that deaths by motor vehicle accidents (MVA) spike during warmer weather.

Its 2000-2004 study revealed about eight Canadians died each day in MVAs. Deaths peaked in August 2004, with an average of more than 10 fatalities each day. Some of the causes of accidents seem mostly evil, like drinking and driving, speeding, recklessness, etc. But lots of other causes are less evil and even somewhat comical.

The CAA says, and I

quote, "Far too many accidents have been caused by people trying to avoid getting crumbs or mustard on their pants ... Many more accidents have been caused because a lid popped off a drink or was spilled on a driver's lap." The automakers spend all this time and effort giving us air bags and ABS brakes when all we need are aprons.

Also high on CAA's list of leading causes of accidents is the distraction caused by trying to find and insert CDs and/or or changing radio stations. The CAA advises to insert a CD before you head out, have several mixed CDs at the ready for longer trips, and/or delegate DJ duties to passengers.

Distraction by any means is becoming a real mover and shaker in the world of car accidents. That's why cellphone use is under such scrutiny.

Researchers have also noticed that on high-speed routes in Europe there is not a corresponding increase in accidents and/or an actual decrease in accidents

dents. They figure these drivers are more engaged and therefore less prone to distraction. Keep that in mind during boring stretches of highway. Keep engaged and alert. Maybe wear a NASCAR cap and pretend you're Tony Stewart.

I was surprised that "tiredness" was not on the CAA's list of 10 leading causes of car accidents, because driving off the highway is never a small incident.

I love comedian Ray Romano's take on how easily we recover after we've just realized that we actually drove with closed, sleepy eyes for a nanosecond or two. We almost got killed, but we just drive on like nothing happened. He said it would be like noticing you've just missed a stray bullet in your bed, then rolling over and going back to sleep.

Anyway, keep thinking good thoughts and have a safe summer of driving.

Michael Goetz has been writing about cars and editing automotive publications for more than 20 years. He lives in Toronto with his family and a neglected 1967 Jaguar E-type.

Boomerang recycled paints are about \$15 for a 3.78 litre can of paint — about half the price of normal paints. These earth and budget-friendly paints come in 16 colours of latex, four oil-based paints and six stains. HGTV.CA

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Update it

You can cover rust spots and give new life to an old refriger ator by painting it. To get started, clean the exterior surface of the fridge, and then lightly sand the surface.

Illusion of space key for condos

There are many reasons people choose condos over single-family homes, including location, price, ease of maintenance and consideration for the environment. Wanting to be crammed into a tiny space is not one of them.

Renovations Citadel owner Rob Wright sees the result of that trend. The award-winning Stittsvillebased company gets calls from people wanting to revamp small spaces.



Wardrobes are a great way to organize space, as many condos don't have large closets.

"A lot of old apartment buildings have been converted into condos," said Wright. "They're 20-, 30-

years-old and the layout sucks ... they're 500, 600, 700 square feet, and that's not a lot of space," he said.

Depending on the condo, you're restricted to what you can do, Wright said.

"You can't change the windows to make them bigger, but you can change finishes and paint colours.

If you've got dark colours, go to a paler colour.

The configuration of walls can also be changed to give the illusion of more space. Many walls in condos are non-load bearing, and can be easily taken out, said Wright.

"If you want to punch a hole in it for a pass through, it's easy to do,'

While the Home Renovation Tax Credit is a bonus for many people, it doesn't make or break a decision to do a renovation, Wright

"A big trend right now is making rooms multipur-pose," said Stephen Mac-Neil, president of Ottawa's Stay Organized, which specializes in custom-fitted furniture. "One room can have four or five different

Wardrobes are ways to organize things, many because condos "hardly have any closets," said MacNeil.

For the bedroom, condo owners can get a Murphy Bed, and closets and bookshelves installed behind the beds, said MacNeil.

Another option is to put

About the HRTC

The Home Renovation Tax Credit of up to \$1,350 applies to alterations "of an enduring nature and integral to the dwelling," meaning anything that is nailed down or wouldn't get transported away.

the Murphy Bed in the closet, he said. There are ways to store everything, said MacNeil.

"We end up storing everything from golf clubs to rollerblades to hockey equipment in ways you don't even notice," he said.

"If you have a small space, you don't want a bunch of doodads hanging around because they can cause clutter," said

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Forgetting ventilation a common mistake: Experts

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The biggest mistake people make when doing their own renovations is not dealing with humidity in their house, according to local home improvement expert Ren Molnar.

You can not over-ventilate as long as you protect the structure from the elements," said Molnar, who is the co-host of Canada's do-it-yourself radio show called Ren-o-vations Cross Canada.

A humid house leads to all kinds of mould and mildew in the basement and attic. On the roof, shingles start to bubble



If you're staining or painting your deck, it's important to wait until the wood is dry before starting. Otherwise, the paint will peel.

and deteriorate.

Even when painting, he said the surfaces must be dry and clean before apply-

ing anything.

Molnar said it looks really "weird" when decks are

stained when the wood was still wet. If there is moisture on the walls, the paint will start to peel within a couple of years.

Stonemason and bricklayer Mitch Bougard said



An example of peeling paint

he frequently sees houses where the residents have filled in holes and cracks in the masonry with caulking instead of chipping out the old cement and refilling it with mortar.

"If caulking were good, we would have laid the bricks in caulking," he

He said people also tend block up the "weeping holes," which are placed intermittently at the bottom first row of brick to let moisture escape from the back of the wall.

Without those holes, the humidity builds and the masonry eventually falls off. Whatever the work, Bob Rheaume, part-owner of Tiles for Less, said people have to make sure that even the stuff people don't see is done right.

In his experience, people will purchase great looking tiles then try to save money on the sub-flooring, only to have the tiles crack later on.

"It's never the tile that's the problem, it's the installation," he said.

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Irish airline Ryanair sees no end to the constant lowering of its fares and no need to acquire any rivals to continue to grow, Deputy Chief Executive Michael Cawley has said. "We still have only 10 per cent of total market in Europe so there's plenty of scope for us to reduce fares to stimulate that growth." REUTERS 11

Travel



Poolside reservations

German tourists can now reserve their poolside recliners before they have even left home. The German arm of travel company Thomas Cook has been deluged with inquiries since announcing that holidaymakers at nine hotels in Turkey, Egypt and the Canary Islands can book recliners in advance for a fee. Germans famous around Europe for rising early to reserve recliners near the pool with their towels, and then going back to bed or eating a lengthy breakfast. REUTERS

A taste of London's museums

The city's gallery fare is now decidedly less institutional

EMMA E. FORREST Metro World News

Traditionally, having a bite to eat in a London museum never meant anvthing more sophisticated than an expensive cheese sandwich or a wedge of sponge cake.

However, the restaurants in the city's cultural storehouses are now becoming dining destinations themselves, some with tremendous views of city

The newly-refurbished Portrait Restaurant, at the top of the National Portrait Gallery on Trafalgar Square, has amazing views over the city, taking in Nelson's column, the London Eye, the Houses of Parliament and Big Ben. It's a romantic place for a dinner date, with lights twinkling from London's most famous sights.

The food is pretty impressive too, with a fine dining menu of dishes that use local, seasonal and organic ingredients. Starters include Monmouthshire air-dried ham with a fried duck egg; mains including plaice with brown shrimp and lemon and horseradish butter.

During the daytime you can feast on a traditional afternoon tea with sandwiches, hom made cakes, biscuits and scones with jam and clotted cream (from about \$30 for two courses, npg.org.uk/live/portrest).
The neighbouring Na-





Left, the newly refurbished Portrait Restaurant at the top of the National Portrait Gallery. Right, the Upper Deck at the London Transport Museum.

tional Gallery is home to 2,300 of the most famous works of Western European art including Van Gogh's Sunflowers well as a great restaurant, National Dining rooms.

This is a relaxed but sophisticated dining experience, with fun twists on typical British dishes using local, seasonal ingredients.

There's a choice of fine dining or the brasseriestyle menu in the Bakery with comfort food including beef and ale stew, shepherd's pie, quiches, hot and homemade cakes.

Exotic dishes on the à la carte menu include crab, pea and samphire salad; Newlyn lemon sole with mussels, leeks, sorrel and wild nettles; and Eton mess or Elderflower posset for desert.

Each month, the chef different celebrates a British county, bringing you fresh produce and classic modern dishes from the region. (from \$9, thenationaldiningrooms.co.uk).

For views of a different London icon, dine at the Blueprint Café, the restaurant at the Design Museum where you can watch boats cruise down the Thames and under the majestic Tower Bridge. Follow your visit to an exhibition at the museum about a key design movement, architect or fashion designer with a dinner that celebrates the best of British dining.

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Train trial marks three-year countdown to London Games

DAIL TRAVEL Britain's Olympic organizers marked the three-year countdown to the London 2012 opening ceremony Monday with a first time trial of the train that will ferry spectators between the city center and the Olympic Park.

The Javelin train, which will carry 25,000 spectators per hour during the Games, arrived at Stratford International station, in east London, slightly ahead of schedule, in less than seven minutes.

the infrastructure we said we would deliver

for the Games operations as far as transport is concerned is coming to fruition, and by this time next year it will be all completed, well in time for the Games." said Hugh Sumner, director of transport at the Olympic Delivery Authority (ODA), responsible for building the Games' venues and infrastructure.

Construction on the Olympic Park, the largest building project in Europe according to organizers, is also on track to be completed ahead of schedule.

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Well-curated menus at London's museums Continued from page 11 caviar (from \$12, wallace

You know it's an exciting dining experience when there are ingredients on the menu that are so recherché that you won't recognize them the chef here is inspired by historic English and Scottish dishes.

There are also plenty of more straightforward options, from chicken and rabbit pie to grilled loin of Middle White pork, all to be enjoyed as you watch the Docklands and the City of London using the binoculars that you'll find on your dining table (from about \$27 for two courses, blueprintcafe.co.uk).

Another romantic option the restaurant at the Wallace Collection is a good bet. The museum based in a historic London town house has a wonderful collection of French 18th century Old Masters, furniture and porcelain featuring cherubs and elegant ladies in billowing satin frocks.

You'll find the brasseriestyle restaurant in the grand, glass-covered courtvard at the heart of the



At the Blueprint Café, the restaurant at London's Design Museum, you can watch boats cruise down the Thames and un-

der the maiestic Tower Bridge. building, where you can ad or terrine for lunch, or collection.org

And if you're looking for something more informal, visit the Upper Deck at London Transport Museum in Covent Garden.

After learning how the London Underground was used as a bomb shelter during the Second World War, you can snack on high-quality, typically British bites for lunch including cheese on toast, fish-finger sandwiches with organic ketchup or Cumberland sausage sandfollowed wiches, brownies or treacle tart or an Underground-themed smoothie.

Decide to go for dinner in the evening after a hard day of cultural appreciation and you'll be able to chill out on the benches upholstered in a "mo-quette" fabric design quette" fabric design based on the pattern used on the Northern line in the 1930s.

Wash down your dinner with an underground-in-spired cocktail including the Routemaster, Anorak or Metropolitan Mixture. (from \$5.50, ltmuseum.co.

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Gardener still Desperate

Jesse Metcalfe is returning to Wisteria Lane — he's reportedly signed up to reprise his role as hunky gardener John Rowland on hit TV show Desperate Housewives. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

Splitting up Entertainment player Reggie Bush have called it quits, her rep confirms to People

A history of conflict, violence

CHRIS ALEXANDER

As a new film about the history of violence in Northern Ireland is about to hit theatres across Canada, tension and riots in the region — The Independent has called it the . worse violence in a decade - are again making headlines.

Last week, rioters in north Belfast clashed with police in the newest wave of violence, which comes as the film Fifty Dead Men Walking is set to open across Čanada.

The volatile life of Irish born Martin McGartland is and epic tale of intrigue that begs for big screen treatment.

McGartland was barely

Movie feature

out of his teens when he fell in with the IRA and, after witnessing their less than kind methods firsthand, decided instead to become an informer for British intelligence, immersing himself in a dangerous and ter-Fifty Dead Men Walking rifying double existence that he barely lived to tell about.

But tell he did, and McGartland's 1997 auto-Fifty biography Dead Men Walking has now been turned into a film, written and directed Canadian filmmaker Kari Skogland (The Stone Angel).

The film stars 21's Jim

Sturgess as McGartland and Grindhouse's Rose McGowan as his long suffering — and oblivious girlfriend. They're two actors who have been cast against type with surprising results.

"That's why I wanted to do it," says Skogland of her off kilter choices. "T

I think Jim brings that boybegins screening ish intensity that I wanted across Canada Martin to have for this period in his life and on Friday. Rose was just

fantastic." Since his cover was blown, the real McGartland has been living in hiding from the IRA since the early '90s, even surviving a recent gunfire attack at his home that many

Northern conflict

films about the Other conflict in Northern Ireland:

- In The Name of the Father Bloody Sunday
- Ryan's Daughter

including Martin - believe was an assassination attempt.

"He will always be in danger," says the filmmaker, "he'll never be able to emerge. I actually never even met him, we had to only have a conversation on the phone because of how perilous the situation

And although McGartland's story commands a hot bed of controversy, Skogland is adamant that her film isn't only ground-



Jim Sturgess plays Martin McGartland in Fifty Dead Men Walking.

ed in politics.

"I used the book as a template to tell a story of humanity, of an average kid caught in an extraordinary situation.

In **brief**

CASTING Jon Hamm and Rebecca Hall are starring opposite Ben Affleck in The Town, a romantic crime thriller that Affleck also is directing. The project from Warner Bros. and Legendary Pictures is an

adaptation of the Chuck Hogan novel Prince of Thieves, whose story follows the relationship between a bank manager, the career criminal (Affleck) who stole her heart, and the dedicated FBI agent trying to bust the crook and his gang.

MUSIC Some of the most highly anticipated albums of the summer have been delayed, including Mariah Carey's Memoirs of an Imperfect Angel, Sean (Diddy) Combs' Last Train to Paris and Lil Wayne's rock and roll album Rebirth. Carey's Memoirs, first slated for an Aug. 25 release via Island Def Jam, will instead be available Sept. 15, according to the Universal Music Group businessto-business website. REUTERS





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It's Christmastime, and with Katherine (Maria Doyle Kennedy) out of the picture. Anne Boleyn (Natalie Dormer) has a gift for Henry (Jonathan Rhys Meyers). She wants to consummate their relationship, but Henry's pal Charles (Henry Cavill) has some dirt on the lady. On the political front, the king strips England's Catholic Church of its authority ... and its tax revenue. 9 PM on 8 CBC



In Plain Sight

This time it's personal. In this new episode, Mary's (Mary McCormack) old nemesis, FBI agent Robert O'Connor (Will McCormack), arrests Brandi (Nichole Hiltz) on drug trafficking, kidnapping and murder charges Yes. Brandi did get mixed up with a drug dealer a few months back but the feds shouldn't have anything on her now. Mary has a double mission now: Free her sister and find out why O'Connor seems to be out to get her and her family. 9:02 PM on 3 GTV



Ugly Betty star Ashley Jensen, 38, and her husband, actor Terence Beesley, are expecting their first child in the fall, a rep for the actress confirmed exclusively to People. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Celebrity Buzz

Madge love letters for sale

THE PAST COMES BACK Someone's hitting the auction market with love letters Madonna sent to an exboyfriend back in the early '90s, according to Page Six.

In the letters, faxed from various hotels to James Albright - who was a bouncer at NYC nightclub Limelight at the time - Madonna compliments herself on her figure.

"Just watched the HBO special. It was OK," she wrote in one letter. "My booty looked good and you should see how good it looks in person. It looks Bootyful!"

Bidding for the letters starts \$3,000 US, and answering-machine tapes containing messages the singer left for Albright are on the block for \$25,000. The identity

of the seller is un-

METRO WORLD NEWS

Still Scientologist, John says

DENIAL John Travolta has denied he has abandoned Scientology,

femalefirst.co.uk reports. The 55-vear-old actor was rumoured to have grown disenchanted with Scientology after the death of his son Jett in January.

But his representative aul Bloch claims the star's faith is as strong as ever. Bloch told People magazine: "There's no magazine: "There's no change in the relationship between the Church of Scientology and John. He is a member and it's as it was

now and forever."

Jett was 16 years old when he died after suffering a seizure in the family's Bahamian holiday home. He was autistic, a condition not recognized by the Church of Scientology.

Rick Ross, an author and lecturer on Scientology, said: "There have been strong rumours coming

tology that John Travolta is disappointed the religion was not able to help his son more

"I think it would be very difficult for John Travolta at this stage to extricate himself from Scientol-ogy. It would be a huge move on his part because Scientology keeps files on its celebrity members containing embarrassing personal information about them."

METRO NEWS SERVICES SERVICES

Kristen finds her love match

SO HAPPY Kristin Davis and her Sex and the City character, Charlotte, may both have been unlucky in love, but it seems Davis has found a match in celebrity photographer Russell James, people.com reports.

"It's been going on for a bit now," said a source close to the actress. "She's very supportive of him, she

seems very happy." METRO NEWS



Tweens: Joe is single again

known.

BAD FOR HIM, GOOD FOR THEM Teen girls, rejoice: Joe Jonas is a single man, usmagazine.com reports. The 19-yearold singer and actress Camilla Belle, 22, have called it quits.

true, "Yes, it's Belle's rep told usmagazine.com. "(Joe and Camilla) have broken up. There is no third party involved and they care deeply about each other and will remain friends." Celeb blog Just-Jared was the first to

confirm the split. At a concert Sunday in Detroit, Jonas reportedly changed the line "Get a now I'm done with superstars" to "Get a rep for breakin' hearts, now I'm done with movie stars.'

rep for breakin' hearts,

The two met last year on the set of music video Lovebug. Jonas split with Taylor Swift soon after meeting Belle, but insisted he "never cheated on a girlfriend.'

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Rihanna and Chris have run-in?

HAIRY SITUATION Rihanna Gatecrasher. "She's not and Chris Brown ended up at the same New York hotel at the same time recently, but both claim it was a complete coincidence.

"Ri didn't even know Chris was going to be in town, much less that he was in the same hotel," a source close Rihanna told

dumb. would never mess around with him again." As for

Brown, a source said, 'Chris is taking the court orders seriously." Brown is currently not allowed within 50 vards of Rihanna. "He has definitely not tried to see her."

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Cameron says 'yes'

IMPULSE DECISION Cameron Diaz has agreed to marry an unknown comic book femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The actress was unexpectedly proposed to while answering questions from fans at the Comic-Con 2009 convention in San Diego.

An unidentified man shouted out to the Hollywood actress: "Will you marry me?"

answered:

"Yes! Where are you? Why

However, Diaz did have one stipulation for her potential fiancé that they tie the knot in Las Vegas. She added: "Can we get married in Vegas? I always Vegas? wanted to get mar-ried in Vegas."

METRO WORLD NEWS

Nude life with the Radcliffe family

REVEALING Actor Daniel Radcliffe didn't mind stripping down for his Broadway show Equus last year. "I grew up always walking around naked, the 20-year-old told British gay magazine Attitude. "I've seen my mom naked. seen my dad naked. I don't

actively seek to find them naked but it's never been a particularly big deal."

WORLD NEWS

K-Fed letting himself go?

WEIGHT Kevin Federline turned heads at a California golfing event Monday. usmagazine.com reports. But it wasn't over his golfing skills; it was over his size.

An employee on the grounds reportedly saw Federline, lounging on the patio with drinks and cigarettes, and remarked,

"Man, that's a belly on him! That's K-Fed?"



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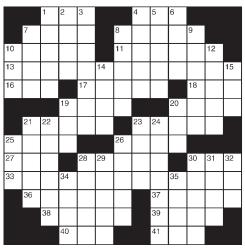


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Metro Recipe of the Day



Chicken, Avocado and Alfalfa Club

INGREDIENTS: 1 1/2 tbsp (20 ml) lime inice 1 tsp (5 ml) olive oil

1/2 red onion, very thinly sliced

1/2 avocado Dash of Tabasco or chili sauce

2 tbsp (25 ml) light mayonnaise

2 tbsp (25 ml) chopped cilantro

6 slices whole wheat bread 6 oz (175 g) cooked, skinless chicken breast fillet. sliced

2 tomatoes, thinly sliced 3/4 cup (175 ml) alfalfa sprouts METHOD:

1. Whisk together 2 tsp (10 ml) lime juice, olive oil and a little pepper in small bowl. Add onion slices and toss to coat. Set

aside to allow onion to mellow in flavour while you prepare remaining ingredients. 2. Roughly mash avocado

with fork. Add remaining lime juice and Tabasco or chili sauce to taste, and carry on mashing until mixture is fairly smooth. Mix mayonnaise with

cilantro. 3. Toast bread until lightly

browned. 4 Spread two slices of toast thinly with mayonnaise, then spread with half the mashed avocado, dividing equally. Top with chicken and onion slices. Spread another two slices of toast very thinly with mayonnaise, then place over chicken filling, mayonnaise-side down. Spread half remaining mayonnaise thinly over tops of sandwiches. Spread with remaining av-

ocado, then add layer of sliced tomatoes and sprouts. 5. Finally, spread last of mayonnaise over last two slices of toast and place on sandwiches, mayonnaise-

side down. Press sandwiches together, then cut each in half. Serve immediately.

SERVES 2

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Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

ARIES MARCH 21-APRIL 20

Cosmic activity in your fellow Fire sign of Leo means you not only have enough energy to get things done for yourself but for other people as well.

LIBRA **SEPT 23-OCT 23**

It seems that someone in a position of power is beginning to recognize that you are more than just another pretty face.

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21 It may seem as if the odds are stacked against you but really they're not - it's just an illusion brought about by too nar-

row a focus **SCORPIO** OCT 24-NOV 22

You may be ambitious by nature but you need to be ambitious about something that is genuinely worthy of your time and your energy.

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21 You're not much in the mood for serious things at the moment, and that's just as well because there will be no end of opportunities for fun.

On the web

SAGITTARIUS NOV 23-DEC 21

You like to be noticed but don't get carried away or you might be noticed for something that has a harmful effect on your career or reputation.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22 Aim to balance your pursuit of financial stability with something of an intellectual, emo-tional or even a spiritual nafure

CAPRICORN **DEC 22-JAN 20**

The Sun's transit of the wealth sector of your chart means it will pay you in the long-term to be a little less independent in the short-term.

LEO JULY 23-AUG 23

Set your sights high today, and for the remainder of the week, but not so high that you risk failure or exhaustion, or both

AQUARIUS JAN 21-FEB 18

You may be under pressure at the moment but it will bring out the best in you. You could make things easier for yourself by not taking life so seriously.

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VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22 Keep what you have discovered about a friend or family member to yourself today, especially if it is the kind of knowledge that could cause trouble

FEB 19-MARCH 20 You may have deadlines

meet and tasks to complete but make time for other things

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